

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend specification in the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 3 as follows:

In operation the apparatus processes conditional access signals such as MPEG streams. Data decoder 12 and secure device 17 together operate as a condition access decoder that is capable of decrypting data from the signal, provided that an appropriate authorization key is present [[en]] and entitled to be used in secure device 17. The apparatus operates in a selected one of a number of operating modes. Mode selection unit 16 selects the operating mode and instructs the remainder of the apparatus to operate in the selected mode. Two operating modes will be illustrated: a live rendering mode and a reply mode.

Please amend specification in the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 9 as follows:

The control words in the messages ~~22, 24~~ ~~20, 22~~ are encrypted. Secure device 17 decrypts the control words from part of the messages ~~22, 24~~ ~~20, 22~~ and supplies the currently needed decrypted control words to data decoder 12 to control decoding of the encrypted data from the signal. The control word supplied by secure device 17 changes at the start of each new time interval 26a,b in which a new control word is needed.

Please amend specification in the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 25 as follows:

Secure device 17 may be used any way to select the appropriate messages from the signal. In one embodiment each message with decryption information contains an identifier to indicate the stream to which the message belongs. In this case, secure device needs only to decrypt control words from the messages [[the]] that carry the identifier of the stream that is selected for the mode indicated by mode selection unit 16.